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## REOUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks Washington, DC 20231

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action of September 11, 2002. The examiner is requested to reconsider the application in view of the applicant's remarks.

## Remarks

Claims 1 - 19 remain in the application, but they have been rejected based solely on the applicant's recently issued U. S. Patent 6,377,189. So, it is not a question of whether the applicant's claims should be allowed, but rather in which application the claims belong. The currently rejected claims should either be allowed in the aboveidentified application or in a Reissue application of the '189 patent. In other words, if the '189 patent sufficiently discloses the current invention, then that same disclosure should be sufficient to support the applicant's current claims. The applicant, nonetheless, will explain why he believes the claims should be allowed in the current application.